

July 2006 Minutes



California Environmental Education Interagency Network (CEEIN)

Date: July 20, 2006
 Time: 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
 Location: Department of Conservation 801 K Street (17th floor) "Daylight" Conference Room
 Lead: Bobbie Winn
 Note taker: Annie Kohut Frankel
 Facilitator: Zori Lozano-Friedrich

In attendance:

Carolyn Tucker, DWR
 Tom Mays, SWRCB
 Tina Muncie, DOC
 Shannon Foss, DTSC
 Kay Antunez, CDF
 Zori Lozano-Friedrich, SWRCB
 Melissa Totten, ARB
 Donna Pozzi, State Parks
 Nita Davidson, Dept. of Pesticide Regulation
 Annie Kohut Frankel, Coastal Commission
 Crystal Harden, DOE
 Edward Wong, ARB
 Bobbie Winn, DFG
 Christiane Maertens, Disney (on phone)

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| 1. | <u>Check – in and Catch -up</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome & Introductions Review Agenda Approve Minutes Update Outstanding Action Items | Bobbie Winn | Agenda accepted with change in order of committee reports. Minutes approved. Action items reviewed and updated. |
| 2. | <u>Committee Reports & Discussion</u> Environmentality <ul style="list-style-type: none"> JCEC – Update | Christiane Maertens | Disney has gone to print on JCEC materials. When a hard copy is ready, she'll bring it to a meeting. Pledge portion will be offered to 3 rd and 4 th graders. A JCEC pamphlet will be created for 3 rd and 4 th grade teachers with curriculum and pledge. Disney is marketing to staff development days in Southern California schools. They will be attending CSTA in October. Materials should be ready in mid to late August. 50 copies will go to each CEEIN member. (Let her know by August 7 if you want more.) If we give a distribution list to Christiane, Disney can send them directly. Evergreen brochures should be available by October. Christiane will write up a marketing email to forward to CEEIN for distribution. *** |

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| | <p>Administration & Organization</p> <p>Leadership & Legislation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education and the Environment Initiative Update • Environmental Education Bills of interest <p>Diversity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update - Sierra Club Partnership | <p>Tom Mays</p> <p>Report submitted by Andrea Lewis</p> <p>Kay Antunez</p> | <p>Roster was distributed for updating new members. MOU needs to be updated with new Cal EPA secretary. Tom and Phaedra will work on this. The Sierra Club is in the process of petitioning for CEEIN partnership. Official vote is forthcoming. Tom and Phaedra will look into USEPA partner status. ***</p> <p>San Luis Obispo County Office of Education is seeking experienced writers of instructional materials to work on the development of a Model Curriculum for EEI. This RFQ is out now. Contact Celeste for a copy of the cover letter and RFQ (croyer@slococoe.org) Working with Phil Lafontaine and Crystal Harden of CDE and Celeste Royer in the determination of prospective field and pilot testing sites for components of the model curriculum. Outreach will be conducted jointly by the CIWMB Office of Education and the Environment and CREEC coordinators. Working with the National Geographic Society regarding materials they will provide to support the EEI model curriculum.</p> <p>The State Water Board is providing financial support of \$20,000 for teacher scholarships to attend the CWO '06 Conference in September. It is anticipated the "education" workshops will be held on Tuesday, September 19. Celeste and Andrea are coordinating these scholarships, targeting 10 for teachers from Central Coast and 24 from LA, Orange, and San Diego Counties. Applications were due July 19. Bill Watch List was distributed by email.</p> <p>A discussion took place of EEI principles alignment with existing curricula and a desire was expressed to learn more about the EEI relationship with ongoing EE programs/CEEIN members. Crystal will bring this up at the EEI executive committee meeting. ***</p> <p>Kay and Martin LeBlanc of the Sierra Club will be making a presentation about the CEEIN partnership at the NAAEE conference in October. There was a discussion of whether CEEIN would have a booth at CSTA. It looks like we won't, but Ed Wong will investigate setting up a table in the EE strand workshop room. All CEEIN member and partner booths should have CEEIN brochures available at CSTA.</p> |
| 3. | Getting to know Crystal Harden-CDE | Crystal Harden | <p>Crystal taught in North Carolina, then was the director of the Childrens Science Museum. She worked with a program to take science education to preschoolers, as well as on a program with minority 6-8 graders in summer camps and volunteering at the museum. Students included Hispanic, African-American, Russian, Asian, Native American...</p> <p>With a move to Little Rock Arkansas she worked at the Department of Economic Development's Energy</p> |

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| | | | Office, managing the Energy Education Program. Programs included a student bookmark design contest, a CD of energy education games, Power Patrols for 4-6 graders, and a 9 th grade physical science curriculum taught through energy issues. In Mobile Alabama she taught high school environmental science, chemistry, and honors environmental science. Last year she taught chemistry at a charter high school in Antelope. She started with DOE in February. |
| 4. | What's New In Your World <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Announcements | All | <p><u>Kay</u>: In collaboration with Project WET (Water Ed. Foundation) and Project WILD (DFG), with funding from USEPA, she is working on a correlation to the "Projects" Environmental education lessons and the Environmental Education Initiative. She is introducing the revised PLT K-8 activity guide for California PLT workshop facilitators.</p> <p><u>Annie</u>: California Coastal Cleanup Day is Saturday, September 16. Promotional materials were distributed and are available upon request. Information on the event is at www.coastforyou.org.</p> <p><u>Vanessa</u>: DTSC contacted RAFT (Resource Area For Teachers) and "recycled" approximately 20,000 outdated posters from our warehouse. RAFT was very receptive, and will offer the materials free of charge. Teachers can use the backs of the posters, the lettering on the poster, as well as the artwork for various projects with their students.</p> |
| 5. | Meeting Wrap-Up <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clarify Action Items Pending Items/Parking Lot Develop May Meeting Agenda Evaluate Meeting | Bobbie Zori | <p>Action items were clarified.</p> <p>Annie will lead the next meeting and Phaedra will lead the November meeting. Donna will take notes in August.</p> <p>Ed will look into a presentation by Erika Peters on environmental interns for the August meeting.</p> |

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Meeting Evaluation Summary

- Overall rating: **4.3** (based on a scale of 1 to 5, 5 being high)

What went well

- I liked the time for spontaneous discussion
- Really enjoyed listening to Crystal
- Very nice to get to know Crystal!
- Stayed on track; finished early. Still had time to go off on interesting tangents
- Stayed on track and very informative
- On time always works; flexibility works too
- Very information for a 1st time attendance
- Scrumptious zucchini bread! Wonderful intro from Crystal!

What could be improved?

- Attendance from key agencies lacking – CIWMB?
- Disney rep – why not attending in a fuller (...couldn't read writing, sorry!)